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COMMUNITY
READER YOU

YOU'RE THE "ADVISOR" SATOU JIROU, RIGHT?
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LUNCH BREAK
WOW! SHE'S CUTE!
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SHE DEFINITELY IS A "PERSONA" ...
BUT, I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN HER SOMEWHERE BEFORE...

AH, I REMEMBER NOW. TSUKAYA MAIRI...
SHE'S THE "NECROMANCER".
THAT EXPLAINS THE MASK.
!
TSUKAYA, WHAT'S UP?

I HEARD THAT THEY ARE HATED BY HUMANS. EVEN THE DEMON KING AVOIDS THEM.
THAT'S BECAUSE THEY CAN CONTROL CORPSES.
NECROMANCERS ARE ALSO CALLED DEAD RAISERS.

NORMALLY ANIMAL CORPSES WOULD SUFFICE. BUT THERE'S AN EXTREMIST WHO CARRIED THEIR DEAD GRANDFATHER TO SCHOOL.
Hey! Wait! Please, don't do that while the funeral's going on!
SOURCE: SAITO.

JUST LIKE HOW TSUBASA CARRIES A SWORD...
NECROMANCERS CARRY AROUND DEAD BODIES.

ARE YOU LISTENING?
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WHY... WHY ME?
ARE YOU THE "ADVISOR"?
WHAT'S THAT?
DOES THE POSITION OF VICE CLASS REP REQUIRE ME TO GIVE ADVICE OR SOMETHING?
EH? SORRY, I WAS LISTENING. WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?
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DO YOU NEED ME TO HIT YOU TILL YOU REMEMBER?
WHA?
HEY, WHAT? WAIT!
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MEOW
PUNCH
HUH?

DO YOU REMEMBER NOW?
knock knock knock
What?
A CORPSE? NO, A DOLL! BUT IT WAS SLIGHTLY WARM...
WHOA!
WAAAIIITTT! I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU WANT MORE.
I'm serious!
EVEN THOUGH IT DOESN'T HURT, I FEEL MENTALLY PRESSURED!

RYUUGA-MINE'S THE CULPRIT!
HMMM... THAT'S WEIRD, AFTER ALL, I DID HEAR IT FROM THE CLASS REP.
I HEARD YOU'RE VERY GOOD AT SUPPORT, AFTER ALL, THE "DEMON KING" HERSELF PRAISED YOU.
He gave me brilliant ideas that helped in my plan to end humanity
SHE'S LYING! SAITO, KIMURA, I'M A "VILLAGER" LIKE YOU TOO!
THE CAFETERIA IDEA WAS MY ADVISOR'S IDEA
THAT WAS WHY I WANTED SOME ADVICE FROM YOU.

uh...
OUR CONDOLENCES.
CRAP! WHAT HEARTLESS FRIENDS THEY ARE!
UM... ABOUT THE ADVICE...
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LET US TALK AT ANOTHER PLACE.
WHY?
I GUESS "PERSONAS" WOULDN'T CARE. DON'T YOU THINK THAT THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE HERE?
I'M GUESSING YOU WANT ME TO COUNSEL YOUR TROUBLES?

LET'S GO.
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サアアア…

I NEVER KNEW THIS SCHOOL HAD A PLACE LIKE THIS.
THIS IS A NICE PLACE.
I SHOULD PROBABLY KEEP THIS PLACE A SECRET...
I JUST BROUGHT HER HERE WITHOUT THINKING...
CRAP...
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UMM, CAN YOU NOT TELL ANYBODY ELSE ABOUT THIS PLACE?
RYUU-GAMINE-SAN LIKES THIS PLACE A LOT,
WE CAME HERE WITHOUT HER PERMISSION TODAY.
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OKAY.
SINCE THIS PLACE IS IMPORTANT TO THE "DEMON KING", I WON'T TELL ANYBODY ELSE.

ANYWAYS, WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO ASK?
I'M NOT SURE IF I CAN GIVE YOU A SATISFACTORY ANSWER, BUT I'LL TRY MY BEST.
OKAY
ARE YOU REALLY JUST A "VILLAGER"?
YOU'RE JUST A "VILLAGER" YET YOU SHARE A SECRET WITH THE "DEMON KING".
THEN AGAIN, YOU REALLY ARE SOMETHING
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WELL, I SHOULD BE ONE...
Okay
MAYBE SHE HAS A WEIRD FETISH... OR MAYBE SHE'S GOING TO CONFESS TO A "VILLAGER" LIKE ME!?
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IT'S SOMETHING REALLY EMBARRASSING
HUH?
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HOHO! AS EXPECTED FROM THE "DEMON KING"!
RYUU-GAMINE!
WHOA
ARA~ AREN'T THINGS ESCALATING QUICKLY?

HMPH, IT WON'T BE GOOD IF WORD OF THIS GOT OUT.

EAVESDROPPING IS A VERY SICK HOBBY YOU KNOW!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE!?

WAIT.. WHAT AM I THINKING !?
HEY, THAT'S DANGEROUS!
AND... I COULD SEE IT.
IT'S FINE SINCE I EXERCISE A LOT.
THAT ASIDE, EMBARRASSMENT IS FOREIGN TO ME.
WHAT'S SO EMBARRASSING ABOUT SOME UNDERGARMENTS LIKE THESE?
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IT'S A FRILLY WHITE ONE...
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AH, SO THAT WAS IT...
"PERSONAS" DON'T SEE "VILLAGERS" AS NORMAL HUMANS...
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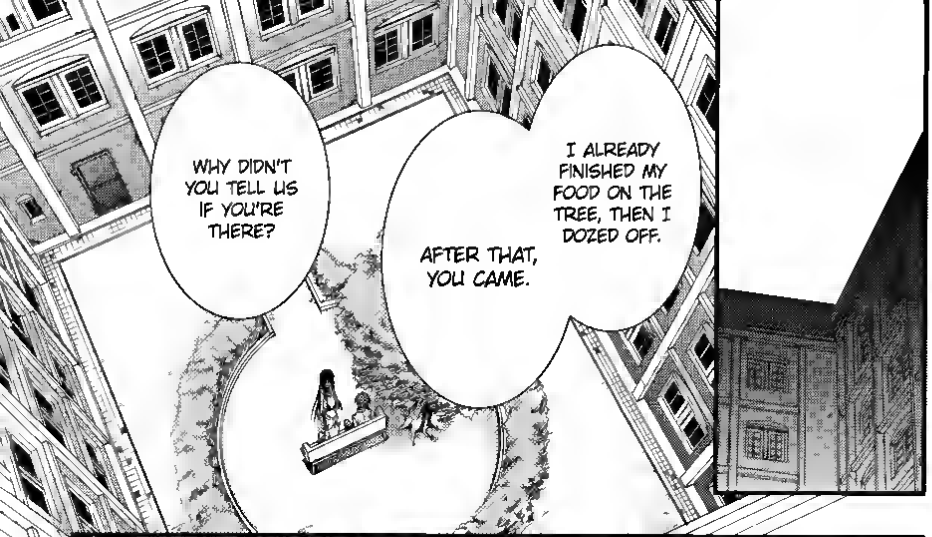
What?
Are you Okay?


WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL US IF YOU'RE THERE?
I ALREADY FINISHED MY FOOD ON THE TREE, THEN I DOZED OFF.
AFTER THAT, YOU CAME.

THAT TONE!
I WOKE UP WHEN I HEARD YOU TALKING.
IF IT'S ANYONE'S FAULT, IT'S YOURS~

What's A?
I KNOW WHY I'M CALLED A "VILLAGER"...
BUT WHAT'S THE "A" FOR?

ANYWAYS~ MR... "VILLAGER A"...
WAIT A SEC.

SO I'LL JUST CALL YOU "A"!
EVEN THOUGH I CAN DISTINGUISH YOU FROM OTHER "VILLAGERS"...
SOMETIMES I JUST CAN'T RECALL YOUR NAME...
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YOU DON'T LIKE IT?
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THAT ASIDE, I FELT HAPPY WHEN SHE CALLED ME "A".
ABLE TO DISTINGUISH? DOES THAT MEAN KIMURA AND SAITO LOOKS THE SAME TO HER?
AH... WHATEVER YOU LIKE.

AH, I REMEMBER NOW. SO IT WAS SATOU JIROU.
I'M THE VICE CLASS REP, SATOU JIROU.
OH OH
Sigh
A "VILLAGER" LIKE ME CAN'T POSSIBLY SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS...
THAT'S NOT TRUE, YOU KNOW?
YOU MAY NOT KNOW IT YOURSELF,
BUT BY CONVERSING WITH YOU I CAN OBTAIN SOME SECRET ANSWERS~
THAT'S WHAT VILLAGERS ARE FOR RIGHT?

WELL...
IT IS TRUE THAT THERE ARE HINTS HIDDEN IN THE "VILLAGERS" SPEECHES...
BUT... IT STILL FEELS WEIRD TO BE THANKED BY DOING SOMETHING I DID NOT INTEND TO...
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UGH... HER GAZE... DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
THEN... WHY ME?
IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE FRIENDS OR ANYTHING.
I MEAN, SHE'S ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL FROM ME.
NORMAL PEOPLE CAN'T BE FRIENDS WITH "PERSONAS"...

hold
EVEN IF WE'RE NOT FRIENDS, WE'RE STILL CLASSMATES RIGHT?
ISN'T THE DUTY OF A CLASS REP TO HELP CLASSMATES IN NEED?
UGH... SHE SAYS THAT EVEN THOUGH SHE NORMALLY DOESN'T EVEN RECOGNIZE OUR EXISTENCE...
THEN AGAIN, DOES SHE MEAN THAT I'M A DEPENDABLE PERSON?
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SIGH... ALRIGHT.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, ASK AWAY.
SINCE IT'S MY ROLE TO DO SO.
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YEAH

MY QUESTION IS...
WHY DO I NEED TO CARRY THIS AROUND?
WHO THE HECK KNOWS THE ANSWER TO THAT!? DON'T PUSH IT TO MY FACE! IT'S CREEPY!
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SHIVER...
MY GRADES ARE FAILING AND I CAN'T CATCH UP WITH THE CLASS.
WHAT DO I DO? DOES THIS MEAN I'M USELESS?
NO, DON'T ASK LIKE THAT.
"VILLAGERS" WON'T BE ABLE TO GIVE GOOD ADVICE.
IF THE BASIC INFORMATION IS NOT ENOUGH,
UMM.. I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY IN RESPONSE TO YOUR TROUBLES.
THAT'S JUST COMMON SENSE!
OH... I SEE.
WHICH PART OF IT WAS COMMON SENSE?
NOD

I'M A NECRO-MANCER.
I'M A "SUPER-NATURAL EXISTENCE."
I CAN CONTROL CORPSES AND USE THEM LIKE PUPPETS.
IS IT LIKE MAKING ZOMBIES?
NO, IT'S DIFFERENT. THAT'S CALLED "RAISING THE DEAD".
ZOMBIES CAN MOVE BY THEMSELVES BECAUSE THEY HAVE "WILL".
BUT THE CORPSES A "NECRO-MANCER" USES DOES NOT HAVE WILL.
THAT MEANS, THEY CAN'T MOVE ON THEIR OWN.
SO "NECRO-MANCERS" RAISING THE DEAD IS JUST A MISCONCEPTION?
SO, WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

EH? EH?
YOU STILL DON'T GET IT?
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DRAG DRAG
DON'T TELL ANYONE ELSE ABOUT WHAT I'M GOING TO TELL YOU.
IF WORD GETS OUT...
I'LL PERSONALLY KILL YOU AND CARRY YOUR CORPSE AROUND.
RYUUGAMINE, IT'S NOT FUNNY!
shuffle
NERVOUS
OH... IS THAT SO?
IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL HIM, HOW'S HE GOING TO ADVISE YOU?
BUT, TSUKA-CHAN...

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I...
I DON'T LIKE TO TOUCH CORP-SES.
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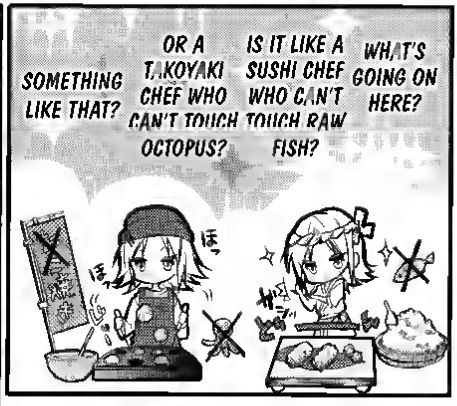
THAT'S WHY I NEED YOUR ADVICE!
DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE A FAILURE AS A "NECRO-MANCER"?
OH, RIGHT... SORRY!


SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
OR A TAKOYAKI CHEF WHO CAN'T TOUCH OCTOPUS?
IS IT LIKE A SUSHI CHEF WHO CAN'T TOUCH RAW FISH?
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

HOW DO I SOLVE HER PROBLEM?
WHERE DO I START?
ALRIGHT.
SO YOU CAN'T PLAY YOUR ROLE AS A "NECROMANCER" PROPERLY...
SO IT'S AS IF YOU'RE A VILLAGER?
ANYWAYS, I'LL TRY SORTING THINGS OUT FIRST.
1. TSUKASA MAIRI IS A "NECROMANCER".
2. "NECROMANCER" DEALS WITH CORPSES.
3. TSUKASA MAIRI DOESN'T LIKE TO TOUCH CORPSES.
[CONCLUSION]:
A "NECROMANCER" NEEDS TO DEAL WITH CORPSES. SO FOR TSUKASA, HER JOB IS AT STAKE.

YOUR DISTRESS IS SHOWING ON YOUR FACE. VICE CLASS REP.
Shhh
Shut up
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MAN! I DON'T HAVE A SOLUTION!
YOU CAN'T ALWAYS RELY ON "VILLAGERS" FOR ANSWERS
EVEN IF THEY DO ANSWER YOU, IT WOULD BE TOO VAGUE
TRY RE-PHRASING YOUR QUESTION AND ASK AGAIN.
BUT.. HOW SHOULD I ASK THE QUESTION?
NOD
THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO ASK A QUESTION THAT THEY CAN RELATE TO FROM THEIR EXPERIENCE.
DO YOU GET IT NOW?
ASK ME ABOUT SOMETHING I DON'T KNOW FROM MY EXPERIENCE?

IS THERE SUCH A JOB!?
VICE CLASS REP WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU GOT A JOB THAT HAS TO DEAL WITH CORPSES?
TRY ASKING ...
I SERIOUSLY DOUBT THEY WOULD LET HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WORK IN THOSE PLACES...
HMM... I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING USEFUL...
THEN... WHAT WOULD YOU THINK WHEN YOU HEAR THE WORD "CORPSE"?
HMMM... I WONDER...
BURIAL SERVICES AND MORTUARIES IN HOSPITALS
REQUIRE CONTACT WITH THE DEAD...

DON'T TELL ME... YOU'VE NEVER SEEN ONE BEFORE?
HUH?
!
EVEN THOUGH CORPSES USUALLY MAKE US FEEL UNEASY...
FOOD ARE ALSO MADE OF DEAD ANIMALS, AREN'T THEY?
FOOD?
MHM.

FOR EXAMPLE, FISHES AND MEAT.
BEFORE MEAT IS PROCESSED, THE DEAD ANIMAL IS CONSIDERED A CORPSE RIGHT?
DEAD FISHES ARE ALSO PACKAGED WHOLE AND SOLD IN THE SUPER-MARKET.
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HO HO HO HO HO HO
WAIT, HEY!
WHERE ARE YOU GUYS GOING? HAVE I LOST MY VALUE?
THEIR EXPRESSION...
WHOA
WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE THEY PLANNING!?
RYUU-GAMI-NE!
GET ANOTHER WEIRD IDEA?!
DID THE «DEMON KING»
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